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Serial No. 09/764,004)
Filing Date: January 17, 2001)
Applicant: Earl M. Ortt)
For: **ANCHORING SYSTEM FOR**)
INJECTION MOLDED MAGNETS)
ON A FLUX RING OR)
MOTOR HOUSING)

**DECLARATION
OF
MARY HARMON**

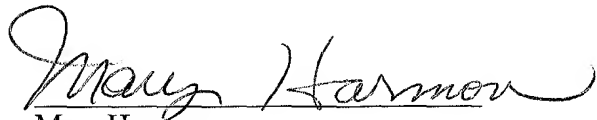
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I, MARY HARMON, under penalty of perjury, hereby declare that:

1. I am legal assistant for Charles E. Yocum, Senior Group Patent Counsel at Black & Decker Inc., the assignee of the present application.
2. Upon instructions from Mr. Yocum, I prepared letters to request preparation of foreign patent applications in Taiwan, China, Switzerland, Germany and the EPO (identified and attached as Exhibits A, B, C, D and E).
3. I was unaware that our outside counsel, W. R. Duke Taylor, Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C., had not filed the above-identified application and obtained a foreign filing license before my transmitting of the request for foreign patent applications.
4. The material was filed abroad through error and without deceptive intent without the required license under 37 C.F.R. Section 5.11 having first been obtained.
5. Upon realizing that a foreign filing license had not been obtained, a Petition for Retroactive License was initiated.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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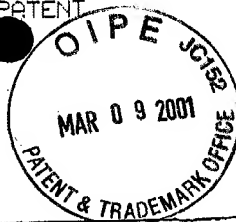

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Re: BLACK & DECKER INC.
New Patent Application for Filing in Taiwan
Title: "Anchoring System for Injection Molded Magnets
on a Flux Ring or Motor Housing"
USSN: 09/492,059 Priority Date: January 27, 2000
Our File: P-TW-TN-1903/CEY/PROF

Please file the attached above-identified utility application and the continuation-in-part application (which will be filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office before January 27, 2001) as a Convention application in the Taiwan Patent Office in the name of Black & Decker Inc. of Newark, Delaware U.S.A. The pertinent filing information for this application is also attached.

Please note that this design application must be filed no later than January 26, 2001, with a claim of priority.

Also, please let me know as promptly as possible whether additional papers and/or documents are required. In any event, you are authorized to proceed with the filing of this application without the additional papers and/or documents if they have not arrived by the time you are ready for filing.

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Please acknowledge by return fax your safe receipt of all of these materials, and that your Firm will be able to file the patent application by the date requested. Our FAX No. is 410-716-2610.

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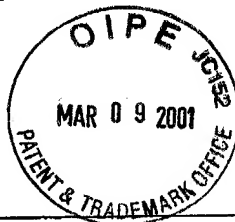
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Title: "Anchoring System for Injection Molded Magnets
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USSN: 09/492,059 Priority Date: January 27, 2000
Our File: P-CN-TN-1903/CEY/PROF

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Title: "Anchoring System for Injection Molded Magnets
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USSN: 09/492,059 Priority Date: January 27, 2000
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USSN: 09/492,059 Priority Date: January 27, 2000
Our File: P-DE-TN-1903/CEY/PROF

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